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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 20, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are included.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.